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AF ONLY FOR MOOSE; LUSAKA FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SEITZ

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDEV RH UK
SUBJECT: MCMANUS ARTICLE

REF: (A) LONDON 18498, (B) LUSAKA 3394

1. I HAVE SPOKEN WITH JOHNNY GRAHAM AND WILLIE ROUS
IN LORD CARVER'S OFFICE ABOUT THE MCMANUS ARTICLE.
NEITHER WAS DISTURBED BY IT, AND AMBASSADOR LOW'S
MESSAGE HAS BEEN PASSED. GRAHAM CALLED ME AGAIN THIS
MORNING TO SAY THE CONCLUSION IN THE FOREIGN OFFICE IS
THAT MCMANUS IN FACT USED RHODESIAN SOURCES AND FOL-

LOWED THE RHODESIAN LINE.

2. MCMANUS DID SPEAK TO GRAHAM AND ME IN SALISBURY,
AND OBVIOUSLY USED THESE CONTACTS TO GO AHEAD WITH A
STORY THAT HE WAS ALREADY DETERMINED TO WRITE. SOME
POINTS WHICH HE ATTRIBUTES TO AMERICAN OR BRITISH
SOURCES DID NOT EVEN COME UP IN GRAHAM'S OR MY ENCOUNTER
WITH HIM, AND THE WHOLE THEME OF THE ARTICLE IS EXACT-
LY OPPOSITE OF WHAT WE SAID. I CAN ONLY ASSUME THAT
MCMANUS WENT AHEAD WITH THE STORY, AT LEAST IN PART,
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BECAUSE HE KNEW HE HAD ALREADY FILED THE REPORT NAMING
ME AS A SENIOR CIA OFFICIAL AND, THEREFORE, DIDN'T
HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT BURNT BRIDGES.

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